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Home Health Aides Honored For Giving Hope And Help To Those Who Are In Need

As our population of elderly people expands rapidly, the need for someone to care for them when their health begins to wane becomes increasingly important. They deserve to enjoy a dignified quality of life earned by their years of hard work.

Many do not have the benefit of an extended family at home to help, for their children and grandchildren are all part of the workforce of the '90's.

Into this vacuum comes a compassionate group of workers to fill a very basic need — Home Health Aides. When one such person was asked what it took to be a Home Health Aide she described it as a desire "as basic as when our parents taught us to respect the elderly."

On May 21st a spotlight was cast on this unsung group when The Essex County Board of Freeholders officially declared that day "Home Health Aide Day," and celebrated with a reception honoring outstanding aides at the Garden State Arts Center.

According to Freeholder President Joseph C. Parlavocchio, in presenting the resolution, "I have great admiration for the Home Health Care program and Home Health Aides. Thanks to their efforts, the day-to-day needs of the homebound, sick, elderly, and disabled are provided for. As



Governor James Florio congratulates our own Evelyn Bell on being named Home Health Aide of the Year.

a result, the clients can remain at home, retain their independence, and avoid institutionalization. The Home Health Care Program is one of compassion which deserves the encouragement and support of all the residents of Essex County."

We are proud to announce that Evelyn Bell of New Community Home Health Care was chosen Home

Health Aide of the Year because of the Compassion she radiates and her sincere and kind dedication to her patients. (See Clarion, May 1991.) Kenneth Wessel, President, Home Care Council, presented her award. The keynote address was given by Lois Hull, Director, State Division on Aging.

Governor Jim Florio also spoke to the gathering, calling Home Health Aides "the soldiers on the front line of health care. You make sure the human touch is not left out..." The governor told them there must be an increase in home health care and community health care allowing the elderly to remain independent in their homes. The medical establishment must be made aware of what

home care does, he stressed. "We shouldn't be proud that we have to make people become paupers before they can afford health care," Florio continued. "We have a sick care system — not a health care system," he chided. The Governor suggested a thinking through of policy for health care and a lobbying for appropriate needs and gave for an example Senator Richard J. Codey's bill. Codey thinks of the homemaker/home health aide services as "the first line of defense in the health care field."

New Community Corporation Home Health Care has been providing in-home health supportive services to the sick, elderly and disabled residents of Essex County since 1987. Sister Ann Tumulty, Florence Williams, Marcia Hines, Lillian Acosta, Evelyn Bell, and Lynn Mertiz attended the luncheon. Lillian Acosta and Blanca Morel were last year's recipients of the Home Health Aide of the Year award; Mrs. Acosta accompanied Evelyn Bell to receive her award this year.

Twenty-five home health aides representing agencies from every county in the state were honored. It was very reinforcing for members from our Home Health Care agency to be able to network with their colleagues and realize they are part of a larger movement.

Our hats are off to Evelyn Bell and all the Home Health Aides of New Community for the dedication and caring service they give to those who need their help.

Print And Copy Center Now Open At Pathmark Shopping Center

The New Community Print and Copy Center has officially opened its doors. Benji Po is managing this endeavor and brings many years of experience to the print shop.

The Print Center is equipped with a state of the art 2 color offset press, platemaker, hydraulic cutter, folding machine, and desk top publishing. The biggest attraction though is the Xerox 5090 computerized high production copier (pictures below). Cruising speed for this marvel is 800,000

copies per month. The 5090 will copy both sides, enlarge or reduce, colate, staple, insert from three feed bins, and even bind copies into book form or into pads.

The services provided are designed for the commercial user as well as for the individual. From thousands of copies to single copies, business cards to wedding invitations, blueprints to address labels, the New Community Print and Copy Center can accommodate you.



The New Community Print and Copy Center is open and ready to serve your needs. Pictured here are assistant Albert Baskerville, NCC Board member Joe Chaneyfield and Benji Po, manager.

A Memorial To: Martha Palmer Chaneyfield

Martha Palmer Chaneyfield, co-founder of Babyland and sister of Mary Palmer Smith, Executive Director for Babyland Nursery, Inc., and Treasurer for New Community Corporation, died early this month and will be sorely missed. However, with our help, her intentions and good deeds shall endure.

Martha was one of the most talented women most of us will ever know. She was an organizer, a goal setter, a taskmaster, a motivator, a leader, an artist, an educator, a problem solver, and more importantly, she was a person who completed a task in its entirety.

Martha will be remembered for organizing group members to participate in Network events, setting goals for parent activities, planning activities for children, reaching out to manufacturer's for toys, books, games, etc., for children, planning uniformity in dress code by making smock tops for day care employees,



beautifying facilities with window curtains, supplying centers with washcloths, bibe, and sheets, and scolding when the supply dwindled.

She will also be known for prepar-

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NCC Employment Center A Winning Combination

60
Placements
For May

When Carol Mahan entered New Community Harmony House, she was hoping to get some temporary, safe, affordable housing for herself and her family. She was also hoping to take advantage of some of the programs and services that Harmony House offered to its residents.

Once Carol became a resident, she was scheduled for the "World of Work" classes being conducted by Charles Singletary, an employment counselor, from New Community Employment Center. The "World of Work" classes are designed to teach the residents of Harmony House the necessary skills and techniques needed to enter the work force and maintain productive lives as working people.

After just a few weeks of classes, Carol expressed a strong desire to get out and find a job. Mr. Singletary felt that Carol showed enough of the necessary attributes to become a productive worker and therefore began to look for a job that Carol could perform.

There was a cashier/counterperson position available at Dunkin' Donuts, and Carol said she would readily take the job, even though, the job was not something in which she was really interested. Mr. Singletary reminded Carol about what was discussed in

the "World of Work" pertaining to jobs that do not appear to be very interesting. She had learned that even though she was not very interested in the job, she should still put her best foot forward and good things would later happen.

After just a couple of weeks of work, Carol demonstrated such a good work attitude and fine leadership skills, she was given a promotion to shift supervisor and a raise. Gary Pettigrew, a member of Dunkin' Donuts, said Carol has been a good worker since her first day on the job. He also said she is very punctual and when she is at work he does not have to worry about her shift. Mr. Pettigrew went further to say that he sees good things in the future for Carol with the company.

Carol just takes everything in stride and says, "Well I have always been a hard worker and now it's nice having someone who appreciates it." Carol takes her job very seriously and says she will continue to be a devoted and a hard worker as long as she is an employee of any company.

We at the Employment Center salute Carol and the example she has set as an employee. May she continue to have great success in all her endeavors.

New Landscaping Thanks To Greater Newark Conservancy

New Community has always espoused the philosophy of creating housing in tune with the environment as well as housing which reflects the dignity of its residents. Accordingly, we have our own maintenance department and dedicated building superintendents who are alert to the horticultural needs of the area.

This year we were fortunate to have the Greater Newark Conservancy with Marlene Franco, Director, offer to conduct a landscaping training pro-

gram for our supers and staff.

With this help, new shrubs and flowers have been planted at St. Joseph Plaza (April 30), NC Commons Senior (May 7), New Community Associates (May 21) and NC Douglas Homes (May 28).

Scheduled for attention in June are NC Roseville, NC Gardens Seniors and NC Manor Senior.

In September the conservancy will help with NC Commons, NC Gardens and NC Manor families.

We're looking really good.



Donnell Brown and Bob West survey the landscaping work being done at St. Joseph Plaza assisted by the Greater Newark Conservancy.



NC Commons Senior maintenance man, Keith Tonsil, works his green thumb in the center island area.

Our Homes Are Sparkling...

As a result of a planned upkeep schedule, New Community residents in Gardens Seniors, Manor Seniors, Douglas Homes and Roseville are now enjoying new surroundings.

All carpeting in the hallways and TV rooms has been replaced, and newly painted and wallpapered hallways add a cheerful fresh tone to the buildings.

The elevator and apartment doors have also had a "change of face," while those busy community rooms have not been forgotten either. With all the activities New Community sponsors for its seniors it was pretty

tricky to squeeze in the painting and wallpapering sessions.

Presently, curtains are being selected for all the common areas, such as community rooms, TV rooms and hallways.

Our popular TV rooms will also be sporting newly reupholstered furniture.

Responsible for the great paint and wallpaper is Paint Smart, while M.E. Sabrisk Association won the contract for carpeting.

The smiles of the residents as the facelift took place made the buildings even brighter!



Beautiful new carpeting was recently installed in the corridors and common areas at NC Douglas Homes.

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If you would like to make a memorial gift or donation to New Community it would be most welcome.

People who would like to give to New Community but don't wish to give up the earning power at the present time can assign a contribution now, but defer payment until sometime in the future.

If you would like more information, please contact Lynn Mertz at Fund Development, (201) 482-0682.

Ford Foundation Selects Babyland For Research

The Ford Foundation, an international, private institution, determined in 1988 to focus on urban revitalization and child development in poverty areas of America and overseas.

Last month, the Board of Trustees at Ford established an 18-month day care planning grant, to begin in July of this year, at Babyland Nursery, Inc. — a networking agency of the New Community Corporation. It will be the task of Babyland staff to research and report on needs, and methods, for the upgrading of day care locally, with a view of applying the methods nationally. Its report, entitled *Project Promote*, will be synchronized with those of five other sites in America, each chosen by the Foundation to represent a specific, deprived segment of our society.

The exchange of resources and services which exists between Babyland Nursery and the many components of the New Community Corporation was the lodestone which attracted the

administrators at Ford to look to Babyland for the promotion of quality day care nationally.

The Clarion will carry a summary of the research findings and recommendations from Babyland at the conclusion of the study, along with relevant, local plans which will evolve from the study.

Sr. Mary Sheridan
Babyland Curriculum Specialist

SPRING FESTIVAL RAFFLE WINNERS

1st Maria Cabrera
East Orange

2nd Allen Sorrell
Pentapoc Co.

3rd Eleanor Jordon
East Orange

Martha Chaneyfield...

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ing and supervising many delectable dishes.

What did I forget, Martha? Oh! I must mention your objectivity and willingness to look at a problem from two perspectives. Regardless of whom you problem solved with, or for, you never lost your objectivity. "You know who" and I deeply appreciate this virtue, along with all the others.

Monsignor Linder, at Martha's Memorial Service, mentioned her many virtues. For us to emulate these

virtues, he said, will be the most significant memorial we can give Martha. Please, let us try!

Martha Carroll
Human Resource Director

The Martha Palmer Chaneyfield Memorial Fund has been established to assist in fulfilling one of Martha's ongoing concerns — that Bayland children and staff have plenty of educational supplies and other necessary child care items readily available to them. Donations to the Fund can be made payable to Bayland Nursery, Inc., and sent to 755 So. Orange Avenue, Newark, N.J. 07016.

Business After Hours At Priory

Business After Hours is a service of the Metro Newark Chamber of Commerce to allow its members to network and market their products and services in the region.

This event is held at five sites during the year and we at St. Joseph

Plaza, Newark, were the fourth host.

Around 300 members of the Chamber came to the Plaza for the first time and gained some understanding of New Community while discovering The Priory Restaurant and New Beginnings Spa.



"Business After Hours," recently held at St. Joseph Plaza, was a tremendous success for all who attended.

Architectural Contract To Benefit Douglass-Harrison Residents

An architectural contract for work to be done on New Community Douglass-Harrison this year was signed on April 27th when New Community Board Members Art Wilson, Newton Richards, and Joe Chaneyfield met with architect William Mikecell for the occasion.

Approximately 2.5 million dollars in repair work is to be funded by the New Jersey Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency (NJHMFA) for replacement of roofs; repair and modification of the fire escapes, repairs to the roof parapets; installation of new hallway and roof entry

doors; new emergency hallway lighting and renovation of approximately 100 apartment units. The work will create a safer and more cheerful place to live.

Another 1.2 million contract with Jansen and Rogan Engineers, P.A., also funded by NJHMFA will take care of the replacement of heat and hot water lines and installation of domestic hot water heaters, adding to the comfort of residents.

Work is to begin in late July or early August and will certainly contribute positively to the environment of the residents.



Architect William Mikecell, standing center left, shakes hands with Board member Joe Chaneyfield. Board members Newton Richards and Art Wilson look on.



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National Nursing Home Week

The residents of New Community Extended Care Facility were treated to a variety of entertainment and activities in recognition of National Nursing Home Week — May 12th to 17th.

On Tuesday, May 14, 1991, St. Rose of Lima choir lifted up the residents with a host of songs.

In honor of Older American Month, New Community held its 2nd Annual Adopt-A-Resident Program on Wednesday, May 15th. Staff and visitors paid special tribute to one of our residents. All residents received a gift and were treated to a special

lunch and dessert prepared by the employees working on each individual unit.

On Thursday, May 16th, several residents took time out of their busy daily schedule to enjoy a tour of the Newark Museum in the afternoon.

Culminating the week of events, on Friday, May 17th an excited group of residents were delighted by the All American Circus held at South Mountain Arena, where they truly enjoyed the animals, clowns and flying trapeze acts.

Life in a nursing home is not necessarily dull.



Phyllis Humphrey, right, helps Emily Toliver with her beaded necklace. Both are participants in the Adopt-A-Resident program.

In God's Everlasting Arms

The New Community Extended Care Facility lost one of its oldest employees on April 30, 1991.

Charles Wooten, Jr. began his employment at the NC Extended Care Facility on December 18, 1985 in the Environmental Services Department. He was a very conscientious worker and well-liked in his department and throughout the Facility. Charles will be remembered for many things, but mostly for his soft-spoken words, his calm manner

and his genuine concern for all his fellow employees and residents at the Facility.

Mr. Wooten served as "Employee of the Month," in 1986; he also served as the Environmental Services Department Union Representative from 1986 until his death.

A memorial service was held in his honor on May 30, 1991.

We miss you, Charles. May God's peace be yours.

Adult Medical Day Care Special Day



Lovely green plants and flowers were recently distributed by the students of Bergen St. School to New Community Senior residents and Adult Medical Day Care participants to celebrate "Earth Week."

New Community Adult Day Care Center was chosen by Bergen Street School to participate in their horticultural project during "Earth Week" on April 26, 1991. Mrs. Kitty Taylor, a representative of Newark Human Services, and great supporter of Senior Services of Newark, was instrumental in selecting NCC Adult Day Care center.

First, Ms. Anita Evans, guidance counselor, along with Ms. Huntley, sixth grade teacher, and her students treated our clients with an outstanding program of wonderful songs.

After the concert the students had a special surprise for everyone. They had all been given seed packets of

flowers and plants to grow at home, and had brought the beautiful results of their attentive care with them. Each student presented one of our clients with a plant of their choice to take home for their enjoyment. Clients and students then exchanged names and phone numbers to establish a future pen-pal program.

Mr. Walker, Principal of Bergen Street School, took time from his busy schedule to participate in this special event. Future plans are to continue this interaction between Bergen Street School and NCC Adult Medical Day Care Center.

Mary Black



Students and faculty from Bergen Street School and New Community employees pose for a photo at NCC Adult Medical Day Care.

Home Friend Of The Month

Cynthia has exhibited the true meaning of the position she holds as a Home Friend. By her patience and compassion she has become the Friend needed by her client Jean Cardari.

Mrs. Cardari has spent the past twelve years neglecting her own health while caring for her companion. He passed away last year and Mrs. Cardari was very depressed and

in a deteriorated physical condition.

Since Cynthia has been assigned to Mrs. Cardari, the picture has brightened. Mrs. Cardari keeps her doctor's appointments, has gained weight, spruced up her apartment, and smiles more often than she cries. To quote Mrs. Cardari, "Cynthia is good to me. I like her a lot."

Congratulations, Cynthia! Keep up the good work.



Cynthia Wall, right, receives congratulations from her supervisor, Gwendolyn Walston, on being named Home Friend of the Month.

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Parent Child Center Gives Special Recognition

Natasha Levant became a teen mom when she was in the 10th grade. Her son, Kevon Levant was enrolled in the Parent Child Center at Babyland I Headstart Program when he was 6 months of age. His attendance in the program has been good.

Natasha talked very frankly about what she views as contributory factors to teen pregnancy:

1. Teens are often alienated from family, friends and the communities in which they live.

2. Many are starved for attention and love from significant others in their lives.

3. The increasingly changing family structure and the economic demands cause parents to spend more time out in the working world to provide for their families in order to maintain a decent standard of living.

4. "Latch door children" and the lack of community programs with activities for children and teens means they are often alone.

However, Natasha now feels in control of her destiny. Her aspirations include graduating from high school, passing her PSAT with high scores, attending college and improving her parenting skills. She knows with the above elements and the inclusion of her strong belief in God that she is sure to improve the quality of life for her family unit.

This summer Natasha is planning to attend the Upward Bound program at Seton Hall University. She is completing her application process at this time. Natasha is very enthusiastic about this program which is designed to prepare students for college. The classes are credit courses and will be applied to her 12th grade cumulative credits.

She shared that attending this program will be a great advantage for her since she plans to attend college after graduation. She plans to participate in the work-study program,



Natasha and Kevon Levant

where she will learn an employable skill to enable her to earn a few dollars during 12th grade.

Natasha said she will not be the first or the last in her family to attend college, but she will be the first teenage mother in her family to attend college. She acknowledges that having a college educated mother has strongly instilled in her that education is a high value in her family.

This special teen gives special thanks to Babyland Headstart PCC Program and the services provided which have helped facilitate the realization of her goals and aspirations.

Natasha re-emphasizes that God has played a vital role in all aspects of her life, and by the grace of God all things can be made possible.

Congratulations.

Mary Lou Madden
Program Director
Gwendolyn Winds
Social Service Coordinator
Sr. Pat Crowley
Family Worker

Budding Dancers At Babyland

One never knows where a gifted child is hiding -- or where there is a whole class of budding dancers ready to be developed.

The four-year olds at Babyland will have the opportunity to discover their grace and skills at the Center for Modern Dance Education in Hackensack, under the direction of Shirley Ubell and staff. Mrs. Ubell, wife of TV Health and Science editor Earl Ubell, is a devotee of the Martha Graham School of Dance in New York, where she learned that dance begins within and is best released by the whole body balanced on bare feet.

Her first class of students at Babyland will give a demonstration at their graduation this June, led by Mrs. Ubell or one of her staff.

Babyland looks forward to this valuable partnership with a gifted teacher who is willing to share the beauty of dance with us all.

Sr. Mary Sheridan
Babyland Curriculum Specialist



Shirley Ubell, above, helps children "climb a mountain," while other Babylanders, below, do a freestyle dance.



Babyland Holds 2nd Annual In-Service Training Workshop

Two concurrent workshops were enjoyed by Babyland employees at their second annual in-service training workshop. Of interest to all employees were the topics of AIDS (Acquired Immune Deficiency) and Discipline and Setting Limits for Young Children.

Jeanne Mirabella, Director of Education and Prevention Services at the Hyacinth Foundation, addressed the topic of AIDS in a very congenial manner perhaps because she has worked with parents in our Parent Teen Program and remembers volunteering at Babyland while she was in high school. Jeanne simplified a very complicated topic and we are extremely proud that she is a friend of Babyland's.

Michele Granger, Early Childhood

Specialist for the Early Intervention Program at United Hospital, has been involved in working with children and staff at Babyland IV for the past two years and we are grateful to have her as a Babyland supporter also.

Michele's topic on Discipline and Setting Limits for Young Children was well received by child care workers, bus drivers, cooks, and maintenance employees, all of whom need to be somewhat familiar with the developmental characteristics of young children, management guidelines, and nursery school settings.

In closing out the current fiscal year, no doubt the consensus of the employees will be to continue each of the sessions again next year.

Martha Carroll
Human Resource Director

National Nurses Week



Home Health Nurses, Marcia Hines, John Aiyegbo, Priscilla Jordan-Scott, Coordinator Sister Ann Tumulty, Sharon Clark, Daphne Jones and Richard Ode pose for pictures after a luncheon in their honor celebrating National Nurses Week.

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COUPON

SEAFOOD DINNER

Seafood Combo:

- Fried flounder, fried clams and fried scallops
- French fries and cole slaw

\$3.75

WORLD OF FOODS

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WORLD OF FOODS

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Safety Behind The Wheel: Defensive Driving Seminar



David Hall of Travelers Insurance Company congratulates Sgt. Andrew Perry, Sgt. Wilson DeJesus and Director James DuBose of the Security Department for attending the "Defensive Driving Seminar for the Experienced Driver." The Seminar was held on May 7, 8 and 10 for all drivers in the NCC Network. Eighty-four drivers attended.

Abide In God's Love Forever

Glory, love and devotion describe the Mass on Sunday, May 5, 1991, at St. Rose of Lima Parish. The School Sisters of Notre Dame joyfully celebrated the profession of perpetual vows of Sister Juanita Maria Hall. A day of spiritual and cultural enjoyment was experienced by everyone who attended.

The church and reception hall were magnificently decorated with African music/artwork. Family and friends came (many in African attire) to share the joy of a woman who had received and responded to her calling. Bishop Joseph Francis and Monsignor William Linder consecrated the Mass at which she pledged and vowed to devote her life forever to God as a School Sister of Notre Dame.

her because she was patient for ten years to take her vows. God bless you Sister Juanita. It was good news," commented Shonta Danille Watson (Grade 2). "I wish more Masses would be like that and I felt like she was a queen and it was very nice," finished Marie Jaward (Grade 4).

Chaunceen Gore (Grade 8) felt very good about dancing at Sister Juanita's Mass. "I think the Mass was very inspiring to me. I feel that Sister's Mass was a great and cheerful Mass that I would love to do over again," she concluded. Qadriyah Hill (Grade 5) thought it was beautiful and sweet. "Sister Juanita was very happy and excited. It warmed my heart." "I like dancing because



Sr. Juanita Hall fields questions from students at St. Rose of Lima School. Her talk on vocations was enlightening to many.

Sister Juanita decided 10+ years ago that she would respond to God's calling as a School Sister of Notre Dame. From that moment she prepared spiritually, emotionally, and educationally.

Three choirs came together to lift their voices to the Lord in praise: Women from a retreat that was sponsored by Social Services for women of NCC in the Fall, in which Sister Juanita shared her insights; St. Rose of Lima's adult choir; as well as St. Rose of Lima's children's choir. Joyce Cook with Frances Shepherd and Chaunceen Gore did a liturgical dance to Mary's song of praise, the Magnificat. A reception was held in the St. Rose park and then a dinner with music and dancing ended the beautiful day.

The following are some responses from the children who experienced the Mass. "It was beautiful to see Sister Juanita take her vows," said Leslie Ogoe (Grade 2). "I feel good for

it expresses how I felt at the Mass," came from Frances Shepherd (Grade 8).

For Jeremy Hodge (Grade 4) it was inspiring. "Sister Juanita took her final vows. She gave up material possessions and decided she would live simply. Sister Juanita really loves God."

"I liked her Mass because it was different. When they were burning the ashes they were smelling funny. It was the viewpoint of David McDowell (Grade 4).

"I thought it was so nice to see someone like her become a sister. When I saw the beautiful artwork and how they had decorated the tables, I was very proud. Sister Juanita is so nice and now she has promised to be a sister forever." Bonish Sanders (Grade 6) reflected for herself and many others.

Mrs. Britton, Grade 4
Sister Joan
Religious Education Coordinator

Are You Listening?

To listen is to pay thoughtful attention; to be alert to receive words and give consideration; to effectively receive conveyed knowledge, information, and expressed ideas. Listening is an essential component of communication, the sharing of information which is provided in many ways, to include books; newspapers; radio; television; and talks.

Much has been said and written on many subjects pertaining to the life and conduct of man; however, one sometimes wonders about the thoughtful attention man gives to them. Proverbs 1:5 states that, "A wise man will hear and increase learning."

God has been speaking to mankind throughout the ages. He spoke to Moses through a burning bush and told him to go to Egypt and tell Pharaoh to let the Israelites go free, and again He spoke to Moses and gave him the Ten Commandments for the people to observe and live by. On the road to Damascus, God spoke to Saul of Tarsus and told him to spread His word abroad to the Gentiles. To fornicators, adulterers and drug abusers, He said, "Your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit." To parents who, through their neglect, contribute to the delinquency of youth, He says, "Inasmuch as you did it to

one of the least of these My brethren, you did it to Me."

God speaks to youth saying, "Those who seek Me early shall find Me." "Hear the instruction of thy father, and forsake not the law of thy mother," (Proverbs 1:6). "Forget not My law; but let thine heart keep My commandments," (Proverbs 3:1). "Fruit of the Lord with all thine heart...in all thy ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct thy paths," (Proverbs 3:5-6).

To all of us, He entreats, "Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in to him." The latch string is on our side of the door; we have to open the door to let Him in. He says, "I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life...follow Me."

Blowing on the wind come the cries of the homeless for shelter; of the hungry life sustaining nourishment; of the abused for care and love; of the unforgiven for forgiveness; of the victimized, living in fear for protection. God is always speaking to us, through many modes and configurations, entreating, "He who has ears to hear, let him hear."

Are you listening?

Lewis Graves
Springfield Branch
Newark Public Library

AIDS Awareness

On May 9th, 1991, the children of New Community Harmony House and their parents were enlightened with a wonderful presentation on AIDS by a group of young people who are a part of the Drama Team of the Boys and Girls Club of Newark. Their performance was both interesting and informative, and done with great care and concern for our children.

Our children were very eager to participate in the performance and became interested in becoming members of the Drama Team. The

parents were also enthused about the performance because it presented very important AIDS information in a unique and interesting manner.

The staff and families of Harmony House wish to thank Mrs. Love of the Drama Team for offering our children information and a positive message that will help secure a bright future for this generation.

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Mrs. Angela Hall
Youth Worker



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Volunteers Needed To Read To Children At Harmony House

If you like to read and can donate just two hours of your time each month, the children and teenagers living at New Community Harmony House need you! Harmony House has been selected as a site for the Newark Literacy Campaign's "I Can Do That!" Family Literacy Project. This new and exciting program helps youth from preschool through the twelfth grade learn to read better by providing them with the single most powerful reading lesson — being read to from books they love! The goal of "I Can Do That!" is to help children naturally develop both reading proficiency and a love of reading books.

Harmony House needs volunteers to read to children. Volunteers will be trained in June, and are asked to donate two hours a month. Reading sessions are planned for both day time and evening.

The project will use field-tested books that the Newark Literacy Campaign has used successfully in its tutorials — books which children and teenagers in Newark absolutely love to read. Each child will have a copy of the book to follow along and study the print and pictures. Youth will have fun while discovering how to use logic to read better and understand and develop vocabulary. Books will be loaned to Harmony House by the Campaign. Family literacy

workshops are also planned to help parents discover ways to reinforce literacy activities at home and in the library.

According to Jeannette Page Hawkins, Administrator of New Community Harmony House, "This program will help to increase our children's interest in reading and increase their academic success. We hope you will say, 'I Can Do That!' by volunteering just two hours a month to read to children at Harmony House." To volunteer, or for more information, call Tom McGinn, Coordinator of Volunteers for Harmony House any Monday, Wednesday or Friday from 10:00 a.m.-12:00 Noon at 623-8555.

New Community Harmony House Transitional Homeless Program helps families move from homelessness to permanent housing and from dependency to self-sufficiency. Harmony House provides 102 families with individual apartment units.

The Newark Literacy Campaign is an independent, non-profit organization. Since 1987, trained volunteer tutors have been providing quality literacy instruction to children, teenagers and adults in Newark. The "I Can Do That!" Family Literacy Project receives funding from Victoria Foundation and the Turrell Fund.

Harmony House Social Services Honored

April is set aside as Child Abuse Prevention Month. On April 23, 1991, the Social Services Department of New Community Harmony House was honored by the Central District Office of the Division of Youth and Family Services for their contribution to child abuse prevention.

Harmony House, a transitional homeless facility, houses 102 families and their children. The families are provided comprehensive social services. Harmony House's four social workers provide case management services which include, but are not limited to, parenting skills, women's

groups and family liaison groups.

The services provided attempt to alleviate child abuse and neglect and stabilize child life.

Ms. Jeannette Page-Hawkins, Administrator, received a plaque honoring the Social Services Department.

The Social Services staff were appreciative that they were recognized during the ceremony along with a major company, health care facility and a private physician who have all made a contribution in the protection of the child.

June R. Rodriguez, MSW
Assistant Administrator



The staff of Harmony House shows off their plaque from the Division of Youth and Family Services.

The Lights Of Broadway

On Wednesday, May 8, some members of the New Community Social Service Theatre Club enjoyed a wonderful outing. Ten members chaperoned by Mr. Robert Green ventured through the Lincoln Tunnel, wending through murderous traffic which led to the pursuit of a palate pleasing appetite treat. This they accomplished at the Howard Johnson's Restaurant at Broadway and W. 46th Street.

Having honed their skills for sleuthing, the posse set out to solve "The Perfect Crime" at Theatre Four on West 54th Street.

This was a drama of secrets, murder, and an excellent whodunit. Our group of "Sherlock Holmes" were indeed kept baffled. Each time you thought it was figured out, the

plot thickened. The suspense was held until the very end, and what a twist of events to discover the real culprit was not the butler but the "maid."

Truly, a day filled with great fun and entertainment. The clubbers are looking forward to future shows. An advantage to being a member is excellent seating in most cases, (we enjoyed front row seats this time) and affordability of viewing shows, with an average ticket price of \$35.00 to \$50.00 per person, for a fraction of the full price.

If you would like information on joining the Theatre Club, contact Ms. Joyce Cook, NC Social Services, 220 Bruce Street, Newark, NJ 07103 or call (201) 623-6114.

Tired Tires Live Again

In at least one New Community Families neighborhood, year after year, colorful summer flowers bloom where bright Christmas lights have shone.

Each year more families catch the beautification fever, which, some will remember, started with the McKeniths and the Perrys around Bruce Street and Fifteenth Avenue.

Winters we've watched Christmas lights run farther and farther up Bruce Street towards Fourteenth Avenue. In summer, flowers and ornamental chicks, ducks and picket fences spread in all directions. Now there is even a young farm!

This year, Tony Santiago deserves credit for a notable addition to the beautification — and ecological consciousness — of the neighborhood. This young craftsman creates attractive, brightly colored planters from old tires. Orders are rolling in and tire planters are appearing all over the place.

If tire hell is burning on a pile of discards, creating one hell of a smell, perhaps tire heaven would be finding



The Santiago family.

a new life as a brighter planter. Do tires believe in reincarnation?

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Douglas Homes Enjoys St. Rose Spring Festival

NC Douglas Homes was well represented at the Spring Festival; all who attended had a great time. Mary Davis won a darboard and Thelma Dawe won a try with ice bucket and glasses. When's the next party, ladies?

Because the residents of 15 Hill Street worked busily getting ready for it, the gala evening was both a reward for their labors and a return on their investment in the future.

Violet Brown got things moving way back, when she sold fish dinners to pay for the building's ad in the program book. Mable Kearney donated a prize to be raffled off for seed money.

For months chances on the three grand prizes were readily available at Douglas Homes. Closer to the big night the Tenants' Association sponsored a 50/50 Drawing.

Dorothy Curry and Vinishia Holley were the official winners, but everyone from the building who attended the Spring Festival won, since the other "50" was distributed among them, to help defray the cost of their tickets.

Each one of us growing up has had a veritable parade of parents and teachers preaching that "you get out of something what you put into it." No wonder these great people had such a good time at the Spring Festival.

THE CHEF'S CORNER

Cold Fish Salad

Try this tasty salad for a quick, cool summer treat.

- *½ lb. calamari
- *½ lb. shrimp (peeled)
- *1 lb. boneless whitening
- 1 large white onion
- 1 small red onion
- 3 cloves chopped garlic
- 3 oz. sliced jalapeno peppers
- 6 oz. sliced stuffed olives
- 1 oz. capers

*All fish may be fresh or frozen
Cut calamari into ¾" wheels. Put shrimp and calamari into sauce pan with just enough water to cover. Bring to boil and then turn it off. Drain and set aside. Skin whitening and place it into a saucepan. Add water.



RODRI GUEZ

Bring to boil and then turn it off. Drain and set aside. Chill calamari, shrimp and whitening.

Quarter onions and slice very thin. Mix all ingredients, except fish, until well blended. Add chilled fish and toss lightly. Serve on a bed of lettuce. Serves 4 people.

United Kingdom Social Workers Visit New Community And Babyland

The needs of people are universal the same, but in different degrees, as agreed upon by New Community (NCC) and United Kingdom (U.K.) social service workers when they toured NCC facilities on Friday, May 17, 1991.

"Coordinated by Brian Snellgrove from London, this is the second year such a group has met with NCC employees to share and exchange ideas about service delivery and methods of financing programs for

social service clients. An idea most appealing to our group is the "One Percent Club" which consists of corporations in the U.K. pledging 1% of their annual revenue to be allocated to help needy people.

Through our contact with Brian Snellgrove, we have a standing invitation to visit the U.K. at any time for them to reciprocate "our fine hospitality."

Martha Carroll
Human Resource Director



Martha Carroll discusses our social service programs with workers from the United Kingdom.



A Salute To Fathers



Honest pride is not a vice...pride in one's children who respect their family and do their best to uphold its tenets. Hopefully many fathers will have that feeling on Father's Day; hopefully, too, they will have well earned it.

Modeled on the Father-Son relationship of Heaven, a father's child is almost his other self. No other joy can compare with that of sharing with his child all the good that a father can give — balancing the gifts of his child's mother — while letting the child be his/her own person.

Blessed are fathers who have loved their children, and taken time to show it. For they shall be loved in return.

Blessed are fathers who have toiled for their families — for their health, happiness, security, education, awareness of God — without losing good humor, For they have fulfilled their chosen path.

Blessed are fathers who have lived the advice they have given: to reverence life; to know when to fight and when to be patient; to be curious enough to discover the wonders of earth and value its meaning for future generations, For their children shall be their mirror images.

Blessed are fathers who have loved their children's mothers, For they have thereby given their children the greatest gift.

Blessed are fathers who continued in Faith, when the way before them was uncertain and there was little human reason to hope, For they shall know eternal joy, having well fulfilled their mission as FATHER.

Cheers to All Dads!

Sr. Mary Sheridan
Babyland Curriculum Specialist

Spring Music Festival At Springfield Library

Wednesday, May 1, MAY DAY, the Arts High School Jazz Band, under the direction of Mr. Stanley Cleveland, splendidly performed to the expressed enjoyment of an appreciative and responsive audience of students, teachers, and community adults numbering approximately one hundred and fifty.

Each student band member stood, individually identified himself or herself, identified his musical instrument and played a few notes to illustrate its capacity. There was audience participation when Mr.

Cleveland invited the students to identify the instruments.

Mr. Perman Wilson, youth counselor of Queen of Angels R.C. Church, briefly spoke on the history and significance of May Day.

The enthusiastic audience clapped their hands and gyrated merrily during the musical renditions, gave Mr. Cleveland and the student jazz band members a standing ovation, and expressed a desire for the return of the Arts High School Orchestra.

Lewis Graves
Springfield Branch Library

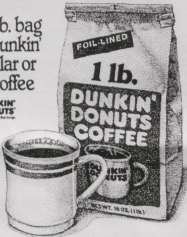


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Security Corner

Security Holds 7th Annual Awards Ceremony

On Tuesday, May 14, 1991, the NCC Security Department held its Seventh Annual Awards Ceremony in the Community Room of the new Community Extended Care Facility. The event was by far the most successful to date.

The program opened with the presentation of the colors by the elite NCC Color Guard, commanded by Sergeant John Jackson, followed by

presented the Director's Award for his feeding the homeless and as an ordained minister providing spiritual comfort to the homeless.

Sergeant Bryan Alexander, Security Officers Marlon Anderson and Monnihan George received the Medal of Honor. The Meritorious Award went to Security Officers Monnihan George and Larry Knight. The Honorable Service Award was



Security Officer David Fitzgerald, center, stands proudly with his trophy. Officer Fitzgerald was named Officer of the Year.



Lamar Banks accepts his award.

a procession of the awardees. As the audience stood in preparation for the National Anthem, guest speaker Brigadier General Nathaniel James was escorted down the aisle by Sergeant Andrew Perry. As they approached the stage, the awardees did a left face and rendered a snappy white gloved hand salute out of respect as the General passed by.

Following the playing of the Star Spangled Banner, the invocation was given by Security Officer Anthony Pilgrim, an ordained minister and Chaplain for the Security Department, using the biblical theme of the Good Samaritan.

The Master of Ceremonies, Errol Adams, Assistant Director of Security, did a superb job conducting the program. To the delight of everyone, he recited various scriptures and proverbs from the Bible throughout the ceremony. Director of Security James E. DuBose introduced the guest speaker.

The Officer of the Year Award, one of the two most prestigious awards, was presented to Security Officer David Fitzgerald, a four year veteran of the department, who received a standing ovation from the other awardees. Fitzgerald was quite surprised and overwhelmed as he gave a tearful thank you. The Director's Award, the second prestigious award, was presented to Security Officer Anthony Pilgrim who also received a Good Conduct Award as Officer of the Month for January, 1991. He was

presented to Sergeant Alexander and Security Officers Lawrence Thompson, Jonathan Ruffin, Marlon Anderson, James Hubbard (two awards), Yahya Muhammad (two awards), James Calloway, Eric McCain, Roy Little, Rodney West and Lister Williams. The Good Conduct Award given to those officers who are selected as Officer of the Month was awarded to: Natalie White, Crystal Tyson, Barbara Washington, Bryan Alexander, Rodney West, Michelle Grier, Anthony Pilgrim, Yahya Muhammad, Larry Knight, Monnihan George and George Suggs. A special Citizen's Award was presented to Lamar Banks (an NCC maintenance employee at Douglass-Harrison) for talking a distraught resident out of committing suicide by jumping from the top of the building in which the man lived. The award, a certificate and medalion that was placed around his neck, was presented by Donnell Brown, Director of Operations.

Messages of congratulations were given by Essex County Executive, Thomas D'Allesio, Essex County Sheriff, Armando Fontoura, Chief James Chritchley of the Essex County Detectives, Joe Chaneyfield, Vice President of NCC, Jim Rhodes, Chief of Police, Rutgers Newark Campus, and other law enforcement officials. Among the many guests were family and friends of the awardees as well as NCC staff members. Assisting in the ceremonies was Gwendolyn Grier, Secretary/Staff Assistant for the NCC Security Department.

The program concluded with the benediction being given by Sister Helene of NCC Social Services Department.

Look For Our Pathmark
SPECIAL ANNIVERSARY DAYS
Next Month

Who Is Albert?

When I first came to manage Roseville Apartments, I overheard some residents asking, "How is Albert?" and "When is he coming back?" Mind you they did not ask if he was coming back, but when he was coming back! I wondered who this person was and came to the conclusion that whomever he was he had to be pretty special since his return was of such great concern to the residents of the building. I soon discovered just how special he was.

Albert returned to work in mid-February and has been the most dedicated, hardworking, efficient person I've had the pleasure of working with.

Albert knows Roseville inside and out and does what has to be done and more. He is not only efficient in maintaining his regular day to day duties but adds to the cleanliness of the building by taking on other "little" things that are as important as many of the "routine" tasks, such as painting the handrails in the corridors, painting the elevator and apartment doors, organizing the storeroom, shampooing little spots in the carpet before they become big stains, and the list goes on! I have watched him wax a floor three times because you could detect very faint streaks in the first two coats! "Little" things that mean so much.

I asked Albert how he came to work for New Community, it seems his wife's volunteer work opened the door.

In early 1990, Albert and his wife, Jenny, were forced to find temporary housing because a fire had destroyed the apartment building in which they were living. They found shelter at NCC's Harmony House.

During their approximately 7 month stay at Harmony House, Albert and his wife were extremely active and productive in an attempt to better their situation and create a hopeful future. Their efforts were recognized on December 13, 1990 when the Patricks received a plaque, in a formal ceremony, for Excellence

In Achievement. Prior to the presentation, Jenny was doing volunteer work at the management office at 200 South Orange Avenue and heard of a maintenance position open at Roseville. She told Albert about it and persuaded him to apply. He was interviewed by NCC's Business Manager and was offered the job. Are we at Roseville ever glad he accepted!

Albert's commitment, dedication,



Albert Patrick

and efficiency definitely make him a valuable asset to New Community and Roseville. Every manager would like to have his attributes in their workers. If we could clone about 30 more Alberts, the properties managed by NCC could be virtually "maintenance free."

If Albert assumes the same attitudes we observe during a work shift - positive, serious, efficient, dedicated, and calculated in every endeavor he undertakes, nothing but the best life has to offer will be his. We at Roseville truly wish him nothing but the best and wish to thank him for making our lives and jobs here a lot easier.

Suzette Summers
Site Manager/Roseville

We've Come This Far By Faith

"We've Come This Far By Faith" could be the theme song as we celebrate "Older Americans Month" at NC Commons Senior. The road to senior status has been long and hard but we haven't been walking it alone. Realizing that we have been blessed

this happen - those who buy what we sell, the cooks, servers, workers and entertainers for the celebration.

In a colorfully decorated community room, with John Gleaming providing soft piano music and residents laughing and sharing time together



"Have you tried the tortellini?" Older Americans Month is celebrated at NC Commons Senior.

with assistance, encouragement and sharing from the Lord, we want to do the same thing amongst ourselves.

To accomplish this, we do small fund raising to enable us to have celebrations when the occasion calls for it. Everybody pitches in to make

while enjoying a meal, May 16th was a commemorative evening. In celebration of Older Americans Month we gave thanks to a loving God who stands by us and calls us to work together to make things happen.

Sister Kay Coll

At Your (Social) Service

by the Staff of NCC Social Services Department

Summer Camp Offered Again

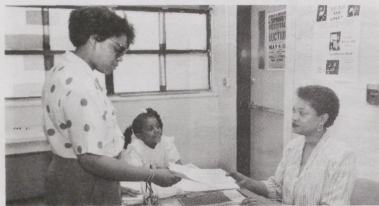
It is time once again to look forward to the future — at least the immediate one. Many parents and youngsters have asked what there is to do in the summer. Well, give me a few questions of your time, and you won't need to ask any more questions. New Community Youth Services is proud to announce that our summer camp will be again opening up for the 1991 season. The first day of camp will be July 1st and will run until August 23rd.

Once again the camp program will consist of two components. First, the educational component will attempt to integrate the important basic learn-

field trips, and trips to our site at Lake Hopatcong.

Two new activities for this year will be the Newark Museum and the YMCA. The youngsters will have the chance to swim at the YMCA on a regular basis. On Fridays, a group will go to the Newark Museum for educational activities.

There will be three sites again this year but with a little difference. The 5-8 year olds will be at 220 Bruce Street. The 9-10 year olds will be at 225 Hunterdon Street. At 72 Hayes, the 11-13 year olds can be found.



Mary Powell, Assistant Coordinator of Youth Services, is currently accepting applications for our summer camp.

ing experiences with fun-filled activities. Second, the recreational component will offer sports oriented and non-sports oriented activities to encourage individual responsibility and group cooperation.

This year we have been able to add to our activities. We will still have basketball, volleyball, kickball, dodgeball, softball contests, ping pong, academic hour, arts and crafts, board games, creative organized games, educational and recreational

A Step Back In Time

When the youngsters of New Community's After School Program boarded the bus on May 23rd, the year was 1991. Upon arriving at our destination it was the turn of the century. How can this be you ask? Well let me tell you a little of our adventures.

Our trip on this particular day was to Fosterfields Living Historical Farm. The farm is a re-creation of the agricultural techniques used at the turn of the century. The property known today as Fosterfields has been cultivated since the 18th century. During the Revolutionary War, General Henry Knox was believed to have had his headquarters here.

In 1852, the grandson of Paul Revere, Joseph Warren Revere, purchased the farm. On the land he built a Gothic Revival mansion which he named "The Willows." In his later years he could not take care of the mansion. He began to rent it out to Charles Foster Grant. Mr. Grant bought the property in 1881. At his death in 1927, the farm was passed to his daughter. The farm filled with much history was donated by Miss Caroline Foster shortly before her death at the age of 102, in 1979.

The tour of the farm leads you along a path to 19 different sites of life at the turn of the century.

Once again history came to life and was fun!

The youngsters are to arrive at 8:30 a.m. and be picked up by 3:30 p.m. We will provide breakfast and lunch for each child. The fee is \$40.00 per child for the summer. If you have more than two children we do have a payment scale.

If you have any more questions you can call Youth Services at 623-6951. If not, why don't you come right on down and register. You can do that at 220 Bruce Street, from 12-8 p.m. Parents must accompany their children. Hope to see you here.

Have a safe and healthy summer!

Thank You Newark Museum

Our time at the Newark Museum for the After School Program has now come to a close. Yet there is some good news. Since it was a great experience for all, it will now also be a part of the summer program. Hip, hip, hooray!!!

Over the past several weeks the youngsters attending the program at the museum have been studying Japan. They have looked at some different forms of art, in particular that of prints. Each was given the chance to create their own print. They really had fun with that one. They even stayed pretty clean.

Another area they looked at on the subject of Japan was the life of a child. They viewed a video in which one youngster shared what a day was like in his life. During the discussion afterward there was a lot of comparing going on. It is good to know and learn about how others live.

The youngsters were also given time to enter the children's zoo again. I think that is a favorite spot. Here they could ask more questions about the animals. It is good to see that they want to learn and experience so much more. We want to thank the Newark Museum for sharing with us. We look forward to working with you again in September.

A Touching Remembrance



Thank you to NCC's Social Service Department.

I was not the only one that received a card for Mother's Day. From what I hear, cards were given out to

the mothers throughout New Community! What a nice thing to do; you made us all feel very special.

Thank you for remembering us. Edna Davis, Senior Advisory Board

When Giving Is Receiving

Interested in knowing about and supporting NCC's varied services, the Senior Advisory Board held their May meeting at The World of Foods Court (in our Pathmark Shopping Center) and then brought plants to residents of our Extended Care Facility and visited the After-School Program site at 220 Bruce Street, where they received cards made by the children.

As often happens in an outreach endeavor, the ones doing the reaching

good!" someone remarked. "Do you remember Carrie Foster?" questioned another. Lanni from Douglass-Harrison hadn't seen her friend in years.

Plants were left in rooms, on window sills and at the nurse's desk. It felt good to think of someone else. In fact, one of the members remarked that visiting here took her mind off herself.

A group from Douglass-Harrison and NC Douglas continued the



The New Community Senior Advisory Board.

out receive as well as give. Starting with the friendly and caring service of Felix LoPreste, manager of the Food Court, and the delicious food and pleasant conversation shared with each other, the Advisory Council felt eager to share their blessings. Visiting the Extended Care Facility during Nursing Home Week was a good time to show our interest.

What a delight it was to see people who had lived in NCC housing before. "There's Eldie!" "Doesn't he look

outreach to Youth Services. There they exclaimed over the setup for the after school — homework and play program. The seniors received cards made by the children from Sister Connie and Mary Powell, and complimented Donald Godwin on the program.

It was a longer meeting than usual but it was a wonderful meeting that left the members with a full stomach and a full heart.

Sister Kay Coll

Students Of The Month

Students of the Month for May are Renata Baskerville and Shakiya Prentice. Renata attends Newton Street School where she is in the third grade. Renata is nine years old. She has shown improvement in reading. Her favorite subject is math. When she grows up she would like to be a nurse.

Shakiya attends Louise A. Spencer School. She is 11 years old and in the fifth grade. Her favorite subject is also Math. When she gets older she would like to become a lawyer.

Congratulations to our Students of the Month. Keep up the good work!



Shakiya Prentice

A Remarkable Gentleman

Robert Sinclair is a remarkable gentleman who has lived in NC Associates (180 So. Orange Avenue) since 1984. From the day he moved in he has taken an active part in the life of the building despite numerous health problems.

Mr. Sinclair began his long and varied career as a volunteer helping in 180's kitchen. He extended himself to registering people for the Lunch Program and delivering Meals-on-Wheels to shut-ins. (NC Associates has a Congregate Nutrition Program).

When NC Social Services at Associates became short-staffed last November, Mr. Sinclair helped out as much as he could in that area, keeping tenant records accurate and current, renewing prescriptions and energy assistance entitlement, and helping tenants apply for tax rebates, air cooling benefits, personal care and homemaking services. When Emma Jean Miller Curlin added Social Services at Associates to her already full repertoire, she really appreciated all that he had done.

Not satisfied to assist in one or two areas, Mr. Sinclair was one of the first tenants to become a staff member when New Community's Management Department began its Seniors newsletter, ECHO NEWS.

Robert Sinclair is called on frequently because he lives right in the building where he is so visible in the helping role which gives him such great joy.

He is an active member of Pleasant



Sr. Anastasia presents Robert Sinclair with a plaque of appreciation for all of the time and service he has dedicated to New Community.

Grove Baptist Church, sings in the male chorus, participates in most church sponsored events, belongs to the Board of Ushers, and fills in wherever needed. (Sound familiar?)

Since coming to Associates in 1984, Robert Sinclair has received so many awards that he has an arrangement of them all around one of the windows in his apartment. The first one came from Gloria Chambers, then Director of NC's Home Friends Program, for keeping his home, especially the floors, so immaculate. The residents of NC Associates gave him an award for his kind service to them. In '88 and '89 he received the Tenant Of

The Year Plaque from New Jersey State Housing and Finance. Not to be outdone, NC Social Services presented a plaque to Robert Sinclair on the occasion of Volunteer Appreciation Week, 1991, in recognition of all the wonderful services he gives.

Mr. Sinclair loves being a part of New Community. To him, living and working here is a great blessing. His plans for the future include continuing to do all he's been doing, working in collaboration with New Community Social Services, and taking good care of his neighbors at NC Associates.

Sr. Mary Ellen

Calendar Of Events

- June 4—Exercise with "Joy" at 72 Hayes.
- June 5—Eye Screening at Roseville Sr.
- June 5—Van trip - Turtle Back Zoo, 10:00 a.m. - \$3.00 senior and child (2 to 12 years), \$7.00 others.
- June 6—Exercise with "Joy" at 72 Hayes.
- June 7—Van trip - Union Flea Market, 10:00 a.m., \$1.00.
- June 8—Meeting at Camden Middle School "Newark 5 Years Later," 8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Refreshments and guest speakers.
- June 8—3rd Annual Miss Newark Pageant, Quality Inn, 4:00 p.m., \$35.00.
- June 9—Bus trip - Action Park - 8:30 a.m. - \$20.00 all ages. (Age 3 and under free.)
- June 10—Van trip - Echo Lake, 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Picnic/relax/fishing.
- June 11—NC Senior Advisory Meeting, 11:30 a.m.
- June 11—Exercise with "Joy" at 72 Hayes, 4:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.
- June 12—NC Gardens Club to Seaside Heights, 9:30 a.m.
- June 12—Food Stamp Rep. at 180 South Orange Ave., 10:2 p.m.
- June 13—Exercise with "Joy" at 72 Hayes, 4:00 p.m.
- June 13—Gardens Family Tenant Meeting at 220 Bruce St., 6:00 p.m.
- June 14—Van Mystery Ride, 11:00 a.m.
- June 14—Flag Day!
- June 15—A Seniors Picnic at 15 Hill's Grecian Garden
- June 16—Happy Father's Day
- June 17—Van trip - Fishing Trip, 5:00 a.m. Deep Sea, \$30.00.
- June 18—Exercise with "Joy" at 72 Hayes, 4:00 p.m.
- June 19—Spirit of New Jersey - Bingo Cruise, 9:30 a.m., \$25.00.
- June 20—Exercise with "Joy" at 72 Hayes, 4:00 p.m.
- June 21—Van trip - Liberty State Park, picnic, fishing, ferry, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., \$1.00.
- June 21—Summer Begins
- June 24—Brown Bag Day
- June 25—Exercise with "Joy" at 72 Hayes, 4:00 p.m.
- June 26—Van trip - Pancake House, 10:00 a.m., \$1.00.
- June 27—Bus trip - Shea Stadium, \$4.00 seniors, \$10.00 adults and children - upper level seats.
- June 27—No Exercise Today!
- June 28—Van trip - Rahway Park - picnic, pool, relax, \$1.00.
- July 4—Independence Day!
- July 5—Pathmark Anniversary Celebration - Kick off.
- July 11—NC Seniors to Camp Tecumseh, 8:00 a.m.
- July 19—Bus trip - Seaside Heights - \$3.00 adult, \$1.50 child (2-12 years).

The Eyes Have It

During the month of May the Northern New Jersey Eye Institute offered free screening in four of the NC Senior Residences.

Bright and early on a Monday morning they arrived at NC Douglas Homes, having already toured the city looking for Hill Street.

Fourteen tenants were tested for glaucoma and cataracts and had their vision checked.

At the end of the session, each participant had a chance to win a \$10 food certificate to one of Pathmarks' major competitors.* Another certificate was presented to be used in the building. Mabel Kearney, President of the Tenants' Association, received it with delight, quickly deciding which item it would purchase for "Dinner at Dunkin'" in honor of Older Americans Month.

Marsha Taylor, Director of Community Relations for the Institute, which is located at 71 Second Street in South orange, was gratified when her staff found a gentleman already diagnosed as having glaucoma, who had not used the prescribed drops for two years. Perhaps he thought his eye problems were taken care of once he got new glasses. Happily, the screening gave the staff of the Eye Institute the opportunity to set him straight.

Laura Compen, NCC's ubiquitous photographer, learned that glaucoma is a quiet disease; one can be symptom free and still have it. Consequently, regular testing is important. I learned that Black and Hispanic people are much more susceptible than others to glaucoma. It's a blessing that organizations such as the Northern New Jersey Eye Institute make themselves available for regular eye screening programs in all the NC Senior Buildings (with a little help from Joyce Cook, Senior Programs Coordinator for Social Services).

*Foodtown



A regular eye check-up is an important part of a health maintenance plan.



Breakfast Is Served



Park up your morning. Come join us for breakfast.

The Congregate Services Program at New Community provides a hot breakfast every morning for our seniors and young disabled in all of our senior buildings. You get a home cooked meal, Monday through Friday, and a Dunkin' Donut Croissant

sandwich, juice, and danish for Saturday and Sunday.

Cost is kept to a minimum by a sliding scale charge.

We also supply light housekeeping and chore services.

If you are interested in our program, please contact Gloria Chambers at NCC Social Services (623-6114).



Gloria Chambers, right, serves up delicious Dunkin' Donuts at NC Roseville.

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